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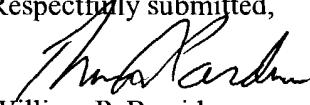
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- 2. Relevance of the English language reference 4 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. The references 1-4 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

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		U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				
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	1.	US 2001/0041357 A1	11/15/2001	FOUILLET et al.		
	2.	4,659,677	4/21/1987	GLOVER et al.		
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	3.	E. CHERVENIVANOVA et al.; "ON THE DEFORMATION OF TWO DROPLETS IN A QUASISTEADY STOKES FLOW"; Int. J. Multiphase Flow; Vol 11, No.5; 1985; pp 721-738; 1985				
	4.	Altti TORKKELI et al.; "DROPLET MANIPULATION ON A SUPERHYDROPHOBIC SURFACE FOR MICROCHEMICAL ANALYSIS"; Transducers '01 Eurosensors XV; 2001				
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